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The Honorable William F. Knowland
United States Senate
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Bill:

I return the memorandum which you so kindly enclosed in your letter of 5 January.

The memorandum is useful psychological warfare background material because it provides a cogent analysis of Soviet guerrilla tactics during World War II and how they exploited the political and psychological mistakes committed by the German occupying forces. I found interesting the author's assertion that the political warfare factors of combat are of paramount importance--a thesis which the events since the war have borne out in several respects.

The implications which this paper throws into relief are certainly worthy of consideration. The Soviets have succeeded before in their wartime political warfare strategy; hence, they are capable of succeeding again unless thwarted by imaginative political and psychological counter measures.

I am grateful for your thoughtfulness in sending us this memorandum, as well as the many other ways in which you have been so helpful to us.

Faithfully,

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